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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2. 1. [Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114] a. [X] Previously submitted i. [X] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on March 21, 2005 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). ii. [] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _ iii. | Other _ b. [] Enclosed iii. [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) [] Amendment/Reply ii. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 2. [Miscellaneous] a. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months: Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
b. [X] Other ____ Copy of Petition for 3-month Extension of time; Copy of Petition for 2-month Extension of Time. 3. [Fees] The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 03-2468 04/21/2005 ANDNDAF1 00000063 10617119-RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:2801 395,00 OP iii. [] Other b. [X] Check in the amount of \$ 395.00 enclosed c. [] Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED 26,048 Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Edward R. Freedman Name (Print/Type) (Customer No. 25889) April 19, 2005 Date Signature **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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